

## STIMULUS WATCH: WEEK 2

### Montana:

- *Democrat Stimulus Myth:* “A joint press release from Sens. Max Baucus and Jon Tester... claimed that \$1.3 million in federal recovery funding would create **40 new jobs** for the Flathead City-County Health Department.”
- *Waste Watch Reality:* In fact, the money will simply provide another year of funding for the department’s Community Health Center, which already has 10 full-time positions. The Community Health Center plans to add **only 2 more jobs**. “In the case of the Community Health Center funding, two new positions over the next year apparently will not have the trickle-down effect of creating 40 local jobs.”
- *White House Math:* “Baucus spokesman Barrett Kaiser and Tester spokesman Aaron Murphy both attributed the 40-jobs claim to the White House... They could not elaborate on how national and local employment estimates were generated.”

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